REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Claims 1-23 are pending in this application. For the reasons stated below, Applicants respectfully submits that all claims pending in this application are in condition for allowance.

In the Final Office Action mailed, claims 1, 5-6, 12, 16-17 and 23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Willis et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,584,082). Claims 2-4, 7-10, 13-15, and 18-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Willis (U.S. Patent No. 6,584,082), in view of Cragun et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,973,683).

Regarding the rejection of independent claims 1 and 12, claims 1 and 12 recite, in part, "receiving from a network client...a request for publication of one or more media source programs in one or more encoding formats," and "in response to receiving the request, capturing the one or more traditional media source programs from a traditional media source that broadcasts the one or more traditional media source programs at a particular broadcast time." After being "captured," the traditional media source program that is selected by the network client is then encoded and published to that network client.

Willis does not teach or suggest a method in which particular media programs that are selected by an individual network client are "captured" from a traditional media source for encoding. In Willis, all of the files for transmission are already "captured." This is fundamentally distinct from claims 1 and 12, which expressly recite that the particular programs are captured at a particular broadcast time. In that regard, as recited in the claims, only those

traditional media source programs that are desired to be published to a network client are captured. Such selectivity simply is not suggested in Willis. While claims 1 and 12 are directed to performing a method in response to selections from a particular client, Willis is directed to a multicasting system for a plurality of destination computers.

Because Willis et al. does not teach each and every limitation of claims 1 and 12, the § 102(e) rejection of these claims should be withdrawn. The § 102(e) rejection of claims 5, 6, 16, 17 and 23 should be withdrawn as well, at least in view of their dependence from claims 1 and 12, respectively.

Cragun et al., which discloses a user-friendly method for controlling content displayed on a television, does not cure the deficiencies of Willis et al. Because a combination of Willis et al. and Cragun et al. fails to teach or suggest each and every recitation required by dependent claims 2-4, 7-10, 13-15 and 18-21, the § 103(a) rejection of these claims should be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing all of the claims in this case are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions or determine that any further action is desirable to place this application in even better condition for issue, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicant's undersigned representative at the number listed below.

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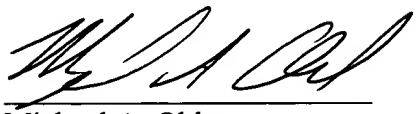
By: 

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